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SUBJ: CSCE DECLARATION ON PRINCIPLES; INVOLABILITY OF
FRONTIERS

1. FRG HAS CIRCULATED TO NATO DELS NEW TEXT OF A
PRINCIPLE ON INVOLABILITY OF FRONTIERS FOR INCLUSION
IN ITS EXPLANATORY BACKGROUND PAPER ON NON-USE OF FORCE,
INVOLABILITY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY. PREVIOUS TEXT
MET WITH LITTLE SUPPORT AMONG THE EC 9 PRIMARILY ON THE
GOUND THAT IT WAS UNREALISTIC IN NOT MEETING BASIC
SOVIET REQUIREMENT FOR AN INDIPENDENT SENTENCE ON THE
INVOLABILITY OF EXISTING FRONTIERS. BACKGROUND PAPER
IN ALL OTHER ESSENTIAL RESPECTS REMAINS UNCHANGED. FRG
WILL TABLE PAPER AS SOON AS SUB-COMMITTEE ON DECLARATION
BEGINS SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSIONS OF THE PRINCIPLES. FIRST
SENTENCE OF TEXT IS ALMOST A DIRECT QUOTATION FROM FRIENDLY
RELATIONS FORMULATION ON INVOLABILITY. SECOND TWO
SENTENCES ARE INVOLABILITY FORMULATION FROM FRENCH
DRAFT.

2. TEXT OF NEW PRINCIPLE IS AS FOLLOWS: BEGIN TEXT:

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PARTICIPATING STATES HAVE THE DUTY TO REFRAIN FROM

THE THREAT OR USE OF FORCE TO VIOLATE THE EXISTING
INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARIES OF ANOTHER PARTICIPATING
STATE OR AS A MEANS OF SOLVING TERRITORIAL DISPUTES
AND QUESTIONS CONCERNING FRONTIERS OF STATES.
PARTICIPATING STATES REGARD AS INVOLABLE THEIR
BORDERS AS THEY EXIST TODAY WHATEVER THEIR OPINION
REGARDING THE LEGAL STATUS OF SUCH FRONTIERS. THE
PARTICIPATING STATES CONSIDER THAT THEIR BOUNDARIES
MAY BE CHANGED ONLY IN CONFORMITY WITH INTERNATIONAL
LAW BY PEACEFUL MEANS AND AGREEMENT TAKING INTO
ACCOUNT THERIGHT OF PEOPLES TO SELF-DETERMINATION.
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